

The National Endowment for the Arts is the only funder, public or private, that supports the arts in all 50 states in the United States.

IN THE PAST 5 YEARS...

The National Endowment for the Arts distributed more than **\$8,589,000** in grants in **North Carolina**.



Blue Star Museums. Photo by Debra Huskin

In one year alone...

- Arts and cultural production in North Carolina added **2.9%** or **\$15.3 billion** to the state's economy.
- North Carolina's arts and cultural industries employed **124,420** workers. These workers earned wages and benefits totaling over **\$7.9 billion**.
- **47.2%** of North Carolina's adults attended live music, theater, or dance performances, while **15.5%** attended art exhibits



National Endowment for the Arts Programs from FY17-FY19

Blue Star Museums program provided free admission to thousands of active military personnel and their families at **113 participating museums** in North Carolina.

Poetry Out Loud program provided opportunities for over **16,392 students** attending **202 high schools** in North Carolina to appreciate—through study, memorization, and public recitation—great poetry.

The **NEA Big Read** program generated **62** community events focused on reading outstanding American literature and involving more than **1,860** adults and students in North Carolina.

Shakespeare in American Communities program in North Carolina enabled schools to offer children the opportunity to see free live professional performances of Shakespeare.

Creative Forces program is expanding access to creative arts therapies and arts engagement opportunities for injured service members, veterans, and their families and caregivers.

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Projects Funded by the Arts Endowment either Directly or Through its State Arts Agency Partnership Funds Occurred in These and Other Locations

NC-01

*Duke University
East Carolina University*

NC-02

*Carolina Ballet
North Carolina State
University*

NC-03

*Arts of the Albemarle
Rose Hill Magnolia
Elementary*

NC-04

*American Dance Festival
The Carolina Theatre*

NC-05

*Charleston Black Theatre
Haynes Branch Library*

NC-06

*Aperture Cinema
Wake Forest University*

NC-07

*Bellamy Mansion
Jengo's Playhouse*

NC-08

*Fayetteville University
Union Pines High School*

NC-09

*Givens Mainstage
Sunrise Theater*

NC-10

*Ballet Spartanburg
Open Hearts Art Center*

NC-11

*Malaprop's Bookstore
Penland School of Crafts*

NC-12

*Davidson College
Westwood High School*

NC-13

*Catawba College
Elon University*

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